

Madison County Ditch Improvement Record.

Hamilton Ditch Construction

Petition

London Ohio, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1908, <sup>tiling</sup> Petition for location, construction and <sup>of</sup> ditch.  
 To the Honorable Board of Commissioners, Madison County, Ohio:

The undersigned owners of lots and land which will be drained or benefited by the improvement herein prayed for, hereby make application to your honorable body, and now file with the Auditor of said County, this, their petition, and now and hereby pray for the location, construction and tiling of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth.

The necessity for and the benefits of the improvement so prayed for is that it will drain and reclaim the lands along the line thereof and adjacent thereto, and will promote the public health, convenience and welfare.

The following is the beginning, route and termini of said proposed improvement, to-wit:  
 Commencing at a point in a tile ditch at or near the line of a tract of land recently purchased by Anna Winters of James Campbell, and the lands of Grace, Mabel and Adaline C. Hamilton. Thence following a tile ditch a portion of the route and an open ditch a portion of the route in a general north easterly direction through the lands of said Hamilton to and crossing the Wilson and Winget pike. Thence through the lands of Paul Jones, Lester Bidwell, Gertrude Dun and Melvina Mark far enough for a good and sufficient outlet.

Your petitioners ask that said ditch may be made a tile ditch from the beginning (taking up the tile already in) to a point on the lands of said Mark deemed expedient by the County Commissioners and that the same be made an open ditch far enough to give a good and sufficient outlet for said tile.

Your petitioners also ask for the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals to said ditch.

The names of all persons and corporations, either public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioners are in any way affected or benefited thereby are as follows:

- |                         |                     |                          |
|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Adaline C. Hamilton,    | Madison County,     | } Frank Winters          |
| Grace Hamilton,         | Paul Jones,         |                          |
| Mabel Hamilton,         | Lester Bidwell,     | Fletcher Truitt,         |
| Estate of Eli Campbell, | Gertrude Dun,       | Scott Truitt,            |
| Alex Campbell,          | Melvina Mark,       | J. N. Snyder,            |
| Anna Winters,           | W. H. Jones,        | Patrick Babey,           |
| Chas. C. Hankinson,     | Vera Bidener,       | Hattie Hankinson         |
| Jos. B. Van Wagoner,    | Bryan Cunningham    | W <sup>c</sup> Eldin Dun |
| Lester Bidwell          | Adeline C. Hamilton | } Petitioners.           |
| Frank Nelson            | Mabel Hamilton      |                          |
|                         | Grace Hamilton      |                          |

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Petitioners'  
Bond

## Petitioners' Bond.

Know all men by these Presents, That Adaline C. Hamilton as principal, and Grace Hamilton and Mabel Hamilton as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Ohio in the penal sum of Two hundred Dollars, good and lawful money, for which we bind ourselves, and our heirs, executors and administrators.

Signed by us and dated this — day of — a. D. 1908.

The condition of the above obligation is such, nevertheless, that, whereas, on the — day of — a. D. 1908, the above bounden Adaline C. Hamilton made application to the Commissioners of Madison County, and on said day filed with the Auditor of said County and he petitioned for the location, construction and tiling of a ditch in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, on the following route and termini, to-wit: Commencing at a point in a tile ditch at or near the line of a tract of land recently purchased by Anna Winter of Jas. Campbell and the lands of Grace, Mabel and Adaline C. Hamilton; Thence following a tile ditch a portion of the route in a general north-easterly direction through the lands of said Hamilton to and crossing the Wilson and Whiget pike Thence through the lands of Paul Jones, Lister Bidwell, Gertrude Dun and Melvina Mark far enough for a good and sufficient outlet.

Your petitioners ask that said ditch may be made a tile ditch from the beginning (taking up the tile already in) to a point on the lands of said Mark deemed expedient by the County Commissioners and that the same be made an open ditch far enough to give a good and sufficient outlet for said tile.

Your petitioners also ask for the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals to said ditch.

Now if the above bounden Adaline C. Hamilton shall pay all costs, if the prayer of said petition be not granted, or if for any other cause the same shall be dismissed, then this obligation shall be void.

The above bond and sureties thereon are approved by me this 7<sup>th</sup> day of

September a. D. 1908.

J. J. Shaffer  
County Auditor

Adaline C. Hamilton  
Grace Hamilton  
Mabel Hamilton

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Notice to  
Commissioners  
of Petition filed  
and time for  
hearing.

Office of Auditor of Madison County, O., September 7, A.D., 1908.  
To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of said County:  
Gentlemen: You are hereby notified that a petition and  
bond for a ditch improvement has been filed in this office  
on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 1908, a copy of which petition is attached  
below, and as required by law I have fixed the 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
September 1908, at 10 o'clock A.M., at the beginning of said  
proposed ditch described in said petition, for your hearing  
of said matter.

## Copy of Ditch Petition.

London, Ohio, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1908, Petition for location, construction and tiling  
of a ditch.  
To the Honorable Board of Commissioners, Madison County, Ohio:  
The undersigned owners of lots and land which will be  
drained or benefited by the improvement herein prayed for,  
hereby make application to your honorable body, and now  
file with the Auditor of said County, this, their petition,  
and now and hereby pray for the location, construction and  
tiling of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth.

The necessity for and the benefits of the improvement  
so prayed for is that it will drain and reclaim the lands  
along the line thereof and adjacent thereto, and will  
promote the public health convenience and welfare.

The following is the beginning, route and terminus of  
said proposed improvement, to-wit: Commencing  
at a point in a tile ditch at or near the line of a tract  
of land recently purchased by Anna Winter of  
Jas. Campbell and the lands of Grace, Mabel and  
Adaline C. Hamilton; Thence following a tile ditch  
a portion of the route in a general north easterly  
direction through the lands of said Hamilton to  
and crossing the Wilson and Wriget pike, Thence  
through the lands of Paul Jones, Lester Bidwell,  
Gertrude Dun and Melvina Mark far enough  
for a good and sufficient outlet.

Your petitioners ask that said ditch may be made  
a tile ditch from the beginning (taking up the tile  
already in) to a point on the lands of said Mark  
deemed expedient by the County Commissioners and  
that the same be made an open ditch far enough  
to give a good and sufficient outlet for said tile.  
Your petitioners also ask for the location, construction  
and tiling of all necessary laterals to said ditch.

The names of all Persons and Corporations,  
either public or private, who in the opinion of the  
petitioners are in any way affected or benefited  
thereby are as follows:

Adaline C. Hamilton	Estate of Eli Campbell	Chas. C. Hankinson
Grace Hamilton	Alex Campbell	Jno. B. Van Wagoner
Mabel Hamilton	Anna Winter	Madison County

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Paul Jones	Vera Sidner	Scott Smith
Lester Bidwell	Bryan Cunningham	Jas. Snyder
Gertrude Dun	Frank Winters	Patrick Sabeey
Melvinia Mark	Geo Van Wagener Trustee	Hattie Harrison
W. H. Jones.	Blanche Smith	M <sup>rs</sup> Eldin Dun.
Lester Bidwell	Adaline C. Hamilton	} Petitioners.
Frank Nelson	Mabel Hamilton	
	Grace Hamilton	

I Herely Certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Ditch Petition filed in my office on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September A. D. 1908.

J. J. Shaffer, County Auditor.

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Commissioner's Office Madison County, Ill.  
September, 7, 1908.

In the matter of  
Ditch Improvement Petitioned  
for by Adaline C. Hamilton et al.

} Petition and bond filed and  
time fixed for same

The County Auditor having delivered to this board a certified copy of a petition filed with him on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 1908, signed by Adaline C. Hamilton et al, praying for the location, construction and tiling of a county ditch between the termini and along the route stated below.

Commencing at a point in a tile ditch at or near the line of a tract of land recently purchased by Anna Winters of James Campbell, and the lands of Grace, Mabel and Adaline C. Hamilton; thence following a tile ditch a portion of the route and an open ditch a portion of the route in a general northeasterly direction through the lands of said Hamilton to and crossing the Wilson and Winget pike; thence through the lands of Paul Jones, Lester Bidwell, Gertrude Dun and Melvinia Mark far enough for a good and sufficient outlet.

The petitioners pray that said ditch may be made a tile ditch from the beginning (taking up the tile already in) to a point on the lands of said Mark if deemed expedient by the county commissioners and that the same be made an open ditch far enough to give a good and sufficient outlet for said tile.

The petitioners also ask for the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals to said ditch, and it appearing that said petitioners have given bond as required by law, which bond has been approved by the auditor, and said auditor having fixed the 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1908, as the time for hearing said petition; It is ordered that this board meet on said day at the place

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of beginning of said ditch as described in the petition, to hear proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement and other persons competent to testify and determine as to the necessity of said improvement.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing entry relating to said proposed ditch improvement, the roll being called, all members voted "aye".

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.  
Sept. 9, A. D. 1908.

In the matter of Ditch Improvement }  
Petitioned for by Adaline C. Hamilton et al. } Justice to Lot or  
Land Owners.

To the Lot or Land Owners and to the Corporations, either Public or Private, affected by said Improvement:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 1908, Adaline C. Hamilton and others, filed a petition with the Auditor of Madison County, the prayer of which is for the location, construction and tiling of a Ditch on the following starting point, route and terminus, to-wit: Commencing at a point in a tile ditch at or near the line of a tract of land recently purchased by Anna Winter of James Campbell and the lands of Grace, Mabel and Adaline C. Hamilton; thence following a tile ditch a portion of the route in a general north easterly direction through the lands of said Hamilton to and crossing the Wilson and Winget Pike; thence through the lands of Paul Jones, Sester Bidwell, Gertrude Dun and Melvina Mark far enough for a good and sufficient outlet.

Your petitioners ask that said ditch may be made a tile ditch from the beginning (taking up the tile already in) to a point on the lands of said Mark deemed expedient by the County Commissioners and that the same be made an open ditch far enough to give a good and sufficient outlet for said tile.

Your petitioners also ask for the location, construction and tiling of all necessary laterals to said ditch.

You are also notified that the following time and place have been fixed when and where the Commissioners of said County will meet for the hearing of said petition, to-wit: Tuesday, Sept 29<sup>th</sup> 1908 at 10 o'clock A. M. at the beginning of said proposed ditch improvement for the purpose of hearing any and all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said ditch improvement, whether the said ditch will be conducive to the public health, convenience

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and welfare; and whether the route described is the best route; and any and all objections to said proposed ditch improvement.

Any application for compensation or damage, or for any change of route, must be in writing and filed with the commissioners on or before the day set for hearing.

No further notice of any proceedings in this matter will be given.

J. J. Shaffer Auditor of Madison County.

Auditor's Office Madison County, Ohio.

A. D. 1908.

The State of Ohio }  
Madison County } Proof of Personal Notice.

On this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ A. D. 1908, personally came Ralph Hamilton who being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that on the days hereinafter named, he served the annexed notice on the persons hereinafter named, by delivering to each person whose name appears "D" a true copy of the annexed notice; and on those opposite who name appears "R" by leaving the same at their usual place of residence.

Name of Person Served	When Served	Name of Person Served	When Served
Daniel Incey	Sept. 12. D.	Geo. Van Wagener	Sept. 11"
Dennis "	" " R	Chas. C. Hankinson	" "
Sarah Sullivan	" " D	Hattie Hankinson	" "
Melie Mark	" " "	James Campbell	" 12
Fletcher Truitt	" " "	Alex Campbell	" "
Scott "	" " "	Verna Bidener	" "
John Van Wagener	" " "	Anna Winter by	" "
A. C. Hamilton	" " "	John Winter	" "
Grace Hamilton	" " "	Mrs Jones	" "
Mabel Hamilton	" " "	Ephraim Bettis left	" "
		at residence	" "
and further this deponent saith not.		Bryan Cunningham	" "
Ralph Hamilton		Paul Jones	" "
Sworn to by Ralph Hamilton before me		and further this deponent saith	
and by him subscribed in my presence		not.	
this 21" day of Sept. A. D. 1908.			
J. J. Shaffer		Sester Bidwell.	
County Auditor.		Sworn to by Sester Bidwell before me,	
		and by him subscribed in my	
		presence this 21" day of Sept. 1908.	
Miss Gertrude Dun "D"	Sept. 12	J. J. Shaffer	
J. V. Snyder "D"	"	County Auditor.	
P. Cahery "D"	"		
and further this deponent saith not.			
Frank Nelson			

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County, Wis.  
October 5, 1908.

In the matter of  
Ditch Imp. Petitioned  
for by Adeline Hamilton et al

Commissioner's Finding on Petition.

This day the commissioners being in session and a copy of a petition for the location, construction and tiling of a county ditch having been delivered to us by the county auditor, and it appearing that the proper bond has been filed with the auditor and by him approved, conditioned for the payment of all costs if the prayer of the petition be not granted or be dismissed for any cause, we, therefore, on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1908, the day fixed by the auditor for hearings, did meet at the place of beginning of said ditch as described in the petition, and heard all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement, and other persons competent to testify; and we went over and along the line of said improvement, and by actual view of the said ditch and the premises along and adjacent thereto and to be drained or benefited thereby, determined the necessity thereof.

And we do hereby find that said improvement is necessary and will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare and a benefit to the lots and lands along the line thereof by furnishing drainage thereto.

And we further find that the route described is the best, viz: Commencing at a point in a tile ditch, at or near the line of a tract of land recently purchased by Anna Winter of James Campbell and the lands of Grace, Mable and Adeline C. Hamilton; thence following a tile ditch a portion of the route and an open ditch a portion of the route in a general north-easterly direction through the lands of said Hamilton to and crossing the Wilson and Waight pike; thence through the lands of Paul Jones, Lester Bidwell, Gertrude Dun and Melina Mark far enough for a good and sufficient outlet. It is therefore ordered that said improvement be granted and the same be known as "The Hamilton Ditch Improvement."

It is ordered that the tile in said ditch be examined as to grade and condition to a point about 80 or 100 rods below the beginning; and from said point the tile to be taken up and relaid to its present terminus, on the east side of the Wilson and Waight pike; and that said